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UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR VETERANS CLAIMS

No. 16-0740

HEZEKIAH GREEN, JR.,

APPELLANT,

V.

ROBERT A. MCDONALD, SECRETARY OF VETERANS AFFAIRS,

APPELLEE.

ORDER

Note: Pursuant to U.S. Vet. App. R. 30(a), this action may not be cited as precedent.

This case is set for oral argument on August 25, 2016. To assist the Court in its review, the parties should be prepared to discuss, among other issues raised by the parties' filings, VA's Notice of Amendment of Systems of Records, "VA Compensation, Pension, Education, and Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment Records – VA" (58VA21/22/28), 77 Fed. Reg. 42594-01 (July 19, 2012). The Court is interested in VA's "Policies and Practices for . . . Accessing . . . Records in the System" and "Safeguards," which refer to granting attorneys remote on-line access to a "claimant's automated claims records." *Id.* at 42599-42600. In particular, the parties should be prepared to discuss paragraph 1(b) under the section entitled "Safeguards," which provides that

[a]ccess to BDN, Virtual VA, Corporate WINRS, VETSNET and VBMS data telecommunication networks are by authorization controlled by the site security officer who is responsible for authorizing access to the BDN, Virtual VA, VBMS and VETSNET by a claimant's representative or attorney approved for access *in accordance with VA regulations*. . . . The security requirements applicable to the access of automated claims files by VA employees also apply to the *access of automated claims files* by claimants' representatives or attorneys.

Id. at 42600 (emphasis added).

It is so ORDERED.

DATED: August 19, 2016 PER CURIAM

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